



FEBRUARY 2026

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR JENNY MUNDELL

Dear Bloomfield Residents,

The start of the year always brings a renewed sense of energy, and January was no exception here in Bloomfield.

At the beginning of the month, I was honored to be sworn in for my first three-year term as your Mayor, alongside new council members and colleagues continuing their terms on the Township Council. We also welcomed more than 100 residents who stepped up to serve on our boards and committees. Drawing from diverse backgrounds and experiences, their expertise plays an important role in supporting programs and initiatives across Bloomfield.

We honored the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through our annual MLK Day of Service events, including food drives, student recognition, book discussions, and a Day of Service that brought neighbors together in the spirit of unity and service. I'm grateful to the MLK Day of Service Committee and all who made these events possible.

January also gave us meaningful opportunities to connect directly with residents, from the Second Ward Community Resource Town Hall to Mayor on Your Block visits. These conversations help us understand neighborhood priorities and guide our work.



Looking ahead to February, we'll continue building these connections with Community Resource Town Halls in the First Ward on February 3rd and in the Third Ward on February 11th. We also look forward to celebrating Black History Month as a community. Please join us for our annual Black History Month Open Mic Night on Friday, February 20, and Community Social on Saturday, February 21, presented with the Juneteenth Advisory Committee and Township Council.

We'll continue the Mayor's Information Session Webinar Series, offering insights into local government, Township resources, flood preparedness, and opportunities for youth engagement. Follow the Township of Bloomfield on Facebook and Instagram so you never miss updates on this series and other community events.

Thank you for your continued involvement and partnership as we move into another month of progress, together.

COMMUNITY

The Township of Bloomfield's Municipal Offices will be closed on Monday, February 16.

The E-Buzz is Now Available in Spanish

To read the Spanish edition of the E-Buzz, visit: tinyurl.com/TheE-Buzz

¡El E-Buzz está disponible en español!

Para leer la edición en español del E-Buzz, visita: tinyurl.com/TheE-Buzz

NJ TRANSIT Temporary Rail Service Changes: Portal Bridge Construction

From February 15 through March 14, Bloomfield residents who commute by NJ TRANSIT, especially on the Montclair-Boonton Line or to NYC, should expect temporary service changes due to major Portal Bridge construction. Impacts may include earlier departure times, reduced service, longer travel times, and the diversion of all Midtown Direct service to Hoboken. NJ TRANSIT tickets to/from Hoboken will be accepted on PATH, NY Waterway ferries, and select bus routes. Residents are encouraged to check schedules in advance and allow extra travel time while this critical infrastructure upgrade is completed. The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs Department is actively working to adjust the Township's shuttle schedule to provide residents with additional commuting options. Updates will be shared as they become available: bloomfieldtwpnj.com/230/Shuttle-Bus. Click the button below for the most up to date information and schedule.

[Learn More](#)

Community Resource Town Halls

Township officials and staff will be on hand to discuss available local services and answer questions, including an open dialogue with Mayor Mundell and your ward's Councilmember.

First Ward Community Resource Town Hall

Tuesday, Feb. 3

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Franklin Elementary School - 85 Curtis Street

[Learn More](#)

Third Ward Community Resource Town Hall

Wednesday, Feb. 11

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Carteret Elementary School - 158 Grove Street

[Learn More](#)

Mayor's Information Sessions

Mayor Mundell's Information Session series returns with interactive sessions designed to help residents better understand local government and community services.

Stay tuned for details on these upcoming sessions as they are announced:

Municipal Government 101
Roles and responsibilities of local government

Flood Preparedness
Practical tools and resources for residents

Department Spotlight Sessions
Featuring various Township departments and answers to common resident questions

Residents are invited to submit suggestions for session topics by emailing ideas to mayorcouncil@bloomfieldwpnj.com.

[Learn More](#)

Mayor on Your Block

Walking the neighborhoods alongside our residents allows us to understand the needs of our community. By seeing the neighborhood through your eyes, we gain invaluable insight. Your perspective helps us prioritize services and guide improvements, one neighborhood at a time.

If you'd like to schedule a "Mayor on Your Block," please email ecirne@bloomfieldwpnj.com!

Learn More

BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN BLOOMFIELD

Join the Juneteenth Advisory Committee, Mayor Mundell, and the Town Council for our annual Black History Month activities.

Zumba Fitness & Line Dancing Night

All ages and dance levels welcome for a fundraising night of fun dance and fitness co-sponsored by Watsessing Elementary HSA. Regular tickets \$15, student discount code: BENGAL26. Purchase tickets here: tinyurl.com/BHMZumba26

Thursday, Feb. 12, 2026

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Watsessing Elementary School, 71 Prospect Street

Black History Month Open Mic Night

Please join us for a local talent showcase and celebration of Black History. Performers interested in participating, please contact Councilwoman Sarah Cruz SarahCruz@bloomfieldtwpnj.com.

Friday, Feb. 20

7:00 PM

Van Fossen Theatre, 467 Franklin Street

Black History Month Community Social

Please join us for the 4th annual event. Light refreshments, entertainment, history, and community.

Saturday, Feb. 21

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Westminster Arts Center, 449 Franklin Street, Rooms #110 & #103

[Learn More](#)

Bloomfield Public Library Presents: Kahlil Kwame Bell

An interactive Black History Month Program featuring Grammy-affiliated artist Kahlil Kwame Bell, based on his children's book Jazz Legends A to Z.

Saturday, Feb. 7

2:00 PM

Bloomfield Public Library - 90 Broad St

[Learn More](#)

RAMADAN IN BLOOMFIELD

Township of Bloomfield Crescent Lighting Celebration

Join Mayor Mundell and the Township Council for a community Crescent Lighting hosted by MAARIF School and community partners in recognition of the beginning of Ramadan. This inclusive community gathering will celebrate reflection, compassion, and togetherness, and offers an opportunity for neighbors to come together, learn, and share in the spirit of the holy month. All are welcome to attend, whether observing Ramadan or simply wishing to stand in solidarity with our Muslim community.

Wednesday, Feb. 11

5:00 PM

MAARIF School - 236 Hoover Ave

Community Iftar

Residents are invited to gather to break the fast during Ramadan. This open, family-friendly event offers a chance to share food, connect with neighbors, and learn about the traditions and meaning of the holy month. Guests are encouraged to bring a favorite dish to share and clearly list all ingredients on an index card.

Thurs, Feb. 26

5:30 PM

Civic Center, Room 1 - 84 Broad Street

[Learn More](#)

FOR OUR SENIORS

Senior Social Programs

Join us for lunch, chair yoga, fitness classes designed for seniors, plus more fun activities and informational lectures!

Every Monday and Wednesday
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Oakeside Cultural Center, 240 Belleville Ave

[Learn More](#)

Mahjong Group

Tuesdays
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Oakeside Cultural Center, 240 Belleville Ave

Check out our Bloomfield Senior Calendar for more great activities!

[Learn More](#)

Essex County Heating Oil Program

Essex County's Heating Oil Program is now available for eligible senior residents. Qualifying seniors may receive 250 gallons of heating oil once per year. Bloomfield residents needing assistance can contact Bloomfield Human Services at 973-680-4017.



Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.
Essex County Executive

The Essex County Board of Commissioners

Essex County Division of Senior Services

Heating Oil Program

Essex County is PROUD to announce the return of the Heating Oil Program for our Senior Citizens of Essex County, in partnership with National Fuel Oil Company

Essex County Senior Citizens that provide their own heating oil may qualify for 250 Gallons

Qualifications:

- **Must be a senior citizen, age 60+**
- **Essex County Resident**
- **Maximum monthly income \$3,991**
- **Maximum annual income \$47,896**
- **Homeowners only (with the exception of seniors that have an apartment with their own heating line connection they are responsible for with proof of ownership)**

Your tank must be able to accept all 250 gallons that is being provided

This service can only be provided annually; therefore, you can only apply every 12-months.

For more information and/or to apply for this service, please contact the Essex County Division of Senior Services @ (973) 395-8375



Putting Essex County First

Save-A-Life Smoke Alarm Distribution Campaign

The "Save-A-Life Smoke Alarm Distribution Campaign" has come to the Township of Bloomfield. This program provides free 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms for households lacking in adequate smoke alarm protection. Designed largely to assist single family home senior citizens, low-income residents, households with children and other members of the community in need, the availability of these life-saving devices will ensure that all residents have the ability of having a working smoke alarm, aiding in the increased protection of the Bloomfield community.

Interested parties may contact the Township Fire Prevention Bureau at (973) 680-4153, or complete a Request Form at bloomfieldtwpnj.com for further details and assistance. The free smoke alarms will be available while supplies last and will be installed free of charge.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Get the latest news from our township departments to find out what your local government is doing to serve our community.

Municipal Clerk's Office

Connecting residents with local government, the Bloomfield Municipal Clerk's Office ensures transparency and accessibility for all civic matters.

Important Election Information

Special Election Information – 11th Congressional District

Early voting period for the Special Primary Election
Thursday, Jan. 29 – Tuesday, Feb. 3
Watsessing Park Community Center – 38 Conger St.

Special Primary Election Day
Thursday, Feb. 5
Polls open 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Primary Election Information

Petitions available for Ward Council Seats
Beginning Monday, Jan. 12
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Municipal Clerk's Office

Deadline to file nomination petitions for the Primary Election
Monday, March 23

Voter Information Session Webinar
Monday, April 27

February Council Meetings

All meetings (conference and regular) are open to the public and held in the Council Chambers on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building, unless noted otherwise. You can watch the meetings live on Channel 35 (Comcast), Channel 30 (Verizon), or on the Township's [Facebook page](#). A live stream will also be available on [wbmatv.com](#). All questions should be directed to the Municipal Clerk's Office at (973) 680-4015.

Conference Meeting

Monday, Feb. 9

7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Monday, Feb. 23

7:00 PM

Meeting agendas, resolutions, and ordinances are available online [here](#). For questions, contact the Municipal Clerk's Office at 973-680-4015 (Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM)

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Dedicated to supporting our residents, the Bloomfield Department of Human Services connects individuals with vital programs and services.



BLOOMFIELD HUMAN SERVICES

Please call Bloomfield Human Services:

- **Food Assistance**
- **Health Insurance Assistance**
- **Transportation Services**
- **Rental Assistance**
- **Prescription Programs**
- **Senior Services**
- **Mental Health Services**
- **Utility Assistance**

Experienced social workers will provide an in-person or virtual assessment and assist eligible residents with applications for a variety of assistance programs.

Human Services social workers can be reached
at
973-680-4017

BLOOMFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Serving as a community hub for lifelong learning, the Bloomfield Public Library offers diverse programs for residents of all ages to engage, learn, and grow.

The Main Library will be closed on Monday, February 16th.

The library's regular hours are:

Monday – Tuesday: 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM (Main Library)

Thursday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Friday – Saturday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Sunday: Closed

The historic Children's Library is presently closed due to renovations. Please check our website at a later date for more information on reopening.

Children's Programming

We are in full swing for our Kids Winter Programs this February! Join in the fun and stop by to check out our upcoming programs:

Storytime & Takeaway Crafts

Mondays

11:00 AM

Civic Center - 84 Broad Street, Room 8

Bilingual Storytime with our Community Partners

Wednesdays

11:00 AM

Civic Center - 84 Broad Street, Room 8

Activi-Tuesdays

Tuesday, Feb. 10 & Tuesday, Feb. 24

5:30 PM

Main Library - 90 Broad St

Fun activities for kids and their grown ups (ages 5 - 12)

Family Board Game Night

Wednesday, Feb. 4 & Wednesday Feb. 18

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Main Library - 90 Broad St

Homework Help

Wednesdays

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Main Library - 90 Broad St

For grades K - 6, please call ahead to confirm attendance.
Parents/guardians are required to stay in the building with any child
under the age of 12.

[Learn More](#)

To learn more about upcoming Children's events, please visit
www.bplnj.org/childrens-library.

Young Adult Programming

Calling all teens!! We have many exciting programs to join this winter.

Switch & Snacks
Wednesdays
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Main Library - 90 Broad St

Dungeons & Dragons: One Shot
Tuesday, Feb. 3
4:30 PM
Main Library - 90 Broad St

Pokemon Meet-Up
Tuesday, Feb. 17
4:30 PM
Main Library - 90 Broad St

[Learn More](#)

Please check out our calendar for more information on dates and times
for these programs.

For other teen programs, please visit www.bplnj.org/teen-space.

Adult Programming

Throughout the month of February, we will be displaying photography stills from Jack Pignatello's collection of professional wrestlers from the 1970's and 1980's, Saturday Night Heroes. This will be on display in the library from February 2nd - February 25th.

Valentine's Day Cookie Decoration Program

Saturday, Feb. 14

11:00 AM

Main Library - 90 Broad St

Registration is required

United Way of Greater Newark VITA Free Tax Prep

Thursdays and Saturdays until April 15

Main Library - 90 Broad St

Contact the Reference Desk (973-566-6200) or bit.ly/VITA-BPL to book an appointment. Please note this tax prep is for those who make 80,000/year or less.

Learn More

The Bloomfield Public Library offers so many other programs! To find out what else is going on this month, please visit www.bplnj.org/library-calendar



Please note that all programs are subject to change. Check with our website/social media or call us for the most up to date information. Email us at reference@bloomfield.bccls.org or call us at 973-566-6200 with any questions or concerns.

Bloomfield Public Library
90 Broad St,
Bloomfield NJ 07003

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Protecting our residents through programs and community service, the Bloomfield Fire Department ensures safety and preparedness for all Bloomfield families.

Free Car Seat Inspections

First Saturday of Every Month

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Bloomfield Fire Headquarters, 375 Franklin Street

[Learn More](#)

Heating Safety Tips

Heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fires during the winter months. The Bloomfield Fire Department reminds residents to take simple precautions—keep flammable items at least three feet from heat sources, never use an oven to heat your home, and make sure smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are working properly.

Stay warm and safe this winter

[Learn More](#)

Follow the Bloomfield Fire Department on social media for updates and safety tips.

Follow Us on Social Media



Bloomfield Fire Dept.



Stay Connected For News & Updates From The BFD



Bloomfield Fire Department



Twitter @Bloomfieldnjfd



Bloomfield Fire Department



Instagram @Bloomfieldnjfire



Tiktok @Bloomfieldnjfire



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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Committed to serving and protecting our community, the Bloomfield Police Department ensures public safety through proactive policing and community engagement.

2026 Bloomfield Parking Policies and Holiday Schedule

The Bloomfield Police Department reminds residents that alternate side-of-the-street parking rules are enforced year-round to support street maintenance, public works operations, and emergency access. Please review the holiday parking schedule and parking reminders, and visit bloomfieldnjpd.com or call 973-680-4141 for the most up-to-date information.

[Learn More](#)

Vehicle Theft Alert

Residents are urged to take extra precautions following a recent increase in high-end vehicle thefts, including incidents in residential neighborhoods. Please review these safety tips and take a few extra moments to secure your vehicle. Simple precautions can help prevent crimes of opportunity.





VEHICLE THEFT ALERT

THE BLOOMFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT IS SEEING AN INCREASE IN STOLEN HIGH-END VEHICLES, MANY TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

Protect Your Vehicle:

- NEVER leave keys or key fobs inside your car
- Always lock your vehicle, even in your driveway
- If your mirrors stay out, double-check that your vehicle is locked
- Remove valuables and secure keys inside your home

A few seconds of prevention can stop a crime of opportunity.



Safe Exchange Zone

For added safety when meeting for online marketplace transactions, residents are encouraged to use the designated Safe Exchange Zone located in the lobby of Police Headquarters at 1 Municipal Plaza. The area is monitored 24/7 to provide a secure environment for in-person exchanges.

[Learn More](#)

Police Cadets Program

Young residents interested in law enforcement or public service are invited to apply for the Police Cadets Program. Open to ages 14–20, the program offers hands-on learning, leadership development, and community involvement while building skills valuable for college and future careers.

[Learn More](#)

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Enriching our township through recreation, activities, and senior programming, the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department inspires wellness, creativity, and connection for residents.

Girls Peppermint Softball Registration

Registration for girls in Grades 3 - 8 opens at 9:00am on Wednesday, February 4th. The registration fee on or before Wednesday, Feb 18th is \$70.00 and after that date the fee is \$75.00. Please see the flyer below for more details on player evaluations, season schedule, and volunteer opportunities.

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Parks • Recreation • Cultural Affairs

84 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003
Tel: 973-743-9074 Weather Update: 973-743-7593



Peppermint/Traveling Softball Evaluations Registration Grades 3-8

Peppermint Softball registration for girls in Grades 3 - 8 will start on Wednesday, February 4, 2026.

The registration fee on or before February 18th is \$70.00 and after 2/18 the fee is \$75.00.

NO REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 4th

An additional \$15.00 will be required if you are chosen for the Suburban Travel Team

** You must be a Bloomfield Resident to play Suburban/Travel Softball **

Player evaluations will take place at Bloomfield High School at the following dates and times:

Tuesday, March 3rd
Grades 6th, 7th, & 8th

6pm - 7pm – Fielding – required
7pm - 8pm – Hitting – required
8pm - 8:30pm – Pitching - optional

Thursday, March 5th
Grades 3rd, 4th & 5

6pm - 8pm – All Skills - required



In order to make balanced Peppermint teams, players should attend evaluations whether they are interested in playing traveling softball or not.



Players will be rated based on ability. All teams will be selected by designated recreation personnel to make them as equal as possible. **No team requests will be taken.**



If there is an issue of transportation it can be addressed with other participants on your assigned team to make accommodations.



If you are interested in coaching, please contact Joe Ricci at 973-743-9074 or iricci@bloomfieldwpnj.com



Peppermint Softball Opening Day is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 12th and the season will run through mid-June. Games and practices take place 2-3 days a week, Monday - Saturday.

Register online at www.bloomfieldrecreation.org or by phone (973) 743-9074

Suburban Track & Field

Registration for Grades 5-8 will begin Wednesday, March 4th at 10:00am. Roster spots are limited. Practices will be held at Foley Field and will begin around the 1st week of April. Competitions are held within Essex County and transportation must be provided by parents to all practices and away meets.

Bloomfield Community Garden Program

The Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department invites residents to take part in the Township's Community Garden Program, offering gardening opportunities at three locations throughout Bloomfield. The program supports recreational organic gardening while promoting healthy living, environmental stewardship, and community connection.

The garden season runs from late March through mid-November, with raised garden beds available for annual rental. Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration opens Monday, February 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Visit www.bloomfieldrecreation.org for full details and to register.

Learn More

Chinese Tea & Dessert Pairing Workshop

Tuesday, Feb 17
7:00 - 8:00 PM

Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center - 240 Belleville Ave



Chinese Tea & Dessert Pairing

\$35

7 PM - 8 PM

FEB 17, 2026

Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center

We invite you to join us for a special tea and music event celebrating Chinese New Year. In this one hour presentation, we will learn about Chinese gongfu tea, its cultural significance and mythical origins, taste two single origin teas thoughtfully paired with Chinese desserts, and conclude with a guzheng performance of two songs.

Chinese gongfu tea is a method of brewing tea with time and effort, allowing us to control the time, temperature, and quantity of the brew to maximize the tea's flavor. It encourages us to slow down a moment in our day, to focus on what's in the cup, and appreciate what nature can create.

Marjorie Wang grew up in NJ, and attended university in Shanghai, where she fell in love with Chinese teas. After an apprenticeship at NYC's Tea Drunk, she began sharing her passion with local communities through tea and dessert pairing events at libraries, community centers, and clubs. She has been playing the guzheng since age 12, and continues to perform at local cultural events.

REGISTER VIA WWW.BLOOMFIELDRECREATION.ORG

In CommunityPass, search "Cultural Affairs Winter Programs 2025-2026"

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Parks • Recreation • Cultural Affairs

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dedicated to the well-being of our community, the Bloomfield Health Department provides essential services, programs, and resources to promote public health, safety, and wellness for residents.

Bloomfield Department of Health Immunization Program

Protect yourself and your loved ones. Bloomfield's Immunization Clinics offer free vaccines for children and adults to stay up to date and

healthy. Call today to see if you are eligible and schedule an appointment!

Learn More

Zufall Dental Van in Town

Affordable dental care services are open to insured, underinsured, and uninsured residents, with a sliding fee scale based on income. Don't miss this opportunity – register in advance.

Saturday, Feb. 28
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
1 Municipal Plaza

Learn More

Newsletter Survey

What health and safety topics do you want to see covered in the monthly newsletters? Complete our 5 question survey and let us know. Monthly newsletters can be accessed [HERE](#).



MAYOR JENNY MUNDELL AND BLOOMFIELD COUNCIL
BLOOMFIELD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



LIVING HEALTHY IN BLOOMFIELD NEWSLETTER SURVEY

YOUR OPINION MATTERS!

We would like to have some feedback about our newsletter! Please scan the QR code to complete our 5 question survey.



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RESOURCE CENTER

PSE&G Resources



STAY PREPARED WITH THESE IMPORTANT NUMBERS AND RESOURCES

Being a good neighbor means staying prepared and helping others when needed. Whether it's reporting a power outage, assisting with a gas emergency, or addressing a streetlight issue, knowing where to turn can make all the difference for you and our community. Keep these important PSEG numbers handy:

General Questions

Streetlights, Billing, Power
Outages, Downed Wires, No Heat:
800-436-7734

Payment Assistance

800-357-2262

Demolition

800-817-3366

First Responder Line Only

800-286-9247

Gas Emergencies

800-880-7734

Service Upgrades, Installations, and Construction Inquiries

800-722-0256
pseg.com/newconstruction

Text for Outages

Text 47734

Report streetlight outages:

- 1) Visit nj.pseg.com
- 2) Hover over "Outages & Leaks"
- 3) Click "Report a Streetlight Outage"

When you take steps to reduce your energy use it helps keep the energy grid we share strong and stable, and that's important for everyone. Plus, every watt not used is one that can provide a direct cost-savings to you. Use the links (URLs), in the left column of this guide, to get helpful energy and cost-savings information from our website and other related sites.

Home Energy Savings Programs	Description
<u>Energy Saving Tips for Your Home</u>	Review quick actions that can be implemented now or with a short-term return on investment.
<u>Energy Saving Tools and Resources</u>	Take the Online Home Energy Assessment; sign up for the energy newsletter and learn about Energy Star equipment.
<u>PSE&G Marketplace</u>	Purchase low-cost energy saving thermostats, showerheads, power strips, air purifiers and EV chargers.
<u>Recycle Your Old Fridge or Freezer</u>	Through June 30, 2025, claim \$150 rebate for each old, working fridge or freezer you recycle plus \$50 rebate for dehumidifiers or window ACs. <u>Schedule your free pickup</u>
<u>Energy Efficiency Programs</u>	Explore PSE&G's elaborate portfolio of discounts, rebates and energy assessments that fit your needs and budget.
<u>Worry Free Replacement</u>	Install ultra-efficient EnergyStar [®] certified heating, cooling and hot water heating systems. Schedule a free, in-home replacement estimate by calling 1-800-539-7734. Flexible payment options.
<u>Whole Home Energy Assessments</u>	Schedule an in-home certified energy efficiency adviser, providing you with expert advice on how to save on energy costs.
<u>Whole Home Energy Solutions</u>	Schedule an energy assessment with a participating contractor, for an in-depth review of your home's health, air quality, HVAC and water heater efficiency and receive discounts on EE work.
<u>Home Weatherization</u>	Income-qualified customers are eligible for weatherization through Whole Home Energy Solutions to receive professional advice and basic upgrades that can reduce your energy use.
<u>Comfort Partners</u>	Income-qualified customers are eligible for a home energy assessment and expert advice from an energy efficiency advisor, plus receive certain energy-saving products at no cost.
<u>Worry Free Protection Plans</u>	Obtain affordable options for household repairs, covered parts and labor with PSE&G and receive Buyer's Edge discounts.
<u>PSE&G Community Solar</u>	Allows PSE&G customers to participate in solar energy and credit on their electricity bills for their share of clean energy.
<u>Electric Vehicle Programs</u>	See how much you could save behind the wheel of an electric car. Incentives are personalized for where you live.
<u>Switching from Oil to Natural Gas</u>	Save on home heating costs by switching from oil to natural gas. Upgrade to a gas water heater.
<u>Corporate Citizenship</u>	Our corporate citizenship priorities of environmental sustainability, social justice and equity focus on creating a positive impact on the communities we serve.
<u>Federal Tax Credits for EE Work</u>	Here you will also find information about federal tax credits for energy improvement work. See also IRS information.

Get Help Paying Your Bill	Description
<u>Payment Assistance Programs</u>	PSE&G describes the existing payment assistance programs. This <u>DCA brochure</u> also explains these programs.
<u>NJ 211</u>	This Home Energy Assistance (HEA) Hotline helps low-income residents with information about their heating and cooling bills.
<u>LIHEAP</u>	A Federal program where income-qualified customers receive support for heating bills and medically necessary cooling costs.
<u>Universal Service Fund (USF) & Fresh Start Program (FSP)</u>	Income-qualified customers can receive a USF credit toward their bills. Customers who apply for USF will be screened for FSP.
<u>SHARES Energy Assistance Grants</u>	This links to the three assistance programs under SHARES.
<u>NJBPU Pay Assistance Gas and Electric (PAGE)</u>	Income-qualified customers may apply for PAGE and SMART Utility, after first completing the LIHEAP/USF application process.
<u>SMART Utility Assistance</u>	Review guidelines — Income-qualified customers who have been denied support from LIHEAP/USF may be eligible for SHARES Energy Assistance.
<u>SHARES Energy Assistance</u>	Review guidelines — Income-qualified grants for electric service or home heating source — must also complete LIHEAP app.
<u>NJ Lifeline for Seniors and Disabled Adults</u>	NJ Lifeline is a \$225 yearly electric or gas bill credit for seniors or disabled adults.
<u>Deferred Payment Arrangement (DPA)</u>	A DPA sets up regular monthly installment payments towards your remaining balance to bring your account up to date.
<u>Equal Payment Plan</u>	This establishes predictability to your monthly energy bill to smooth out peaks, subject to a yearly true-up.
<u>Clean Energy Jobs Sponsored by PSE&G</u>	Jobs for NJ through a diverse network of companies in fields like customer service, construction, information technology, and more!
<u>Jobs at PSEG</u>	Our employees are the backbone of our company and we're always looking for more talent.

Other Energy Saving Websites	Description
<u>Energy Efficient Buildings</u>	Read about research on affordable energy, an efficient and reliable grid and innovative approaches to energy storage and use.
<u>Explore EnergyStar</u>	ENERGY STAR is your resource for information on projects and products to help make your home energy efficient.
<u>Center for Sustainable Energy</u>	Read about a future with sustainable, equitable and resilient transportation, buildings and communities.
<u>NJBPU Clean Energy Program</u>	This link takes you to a portfolio of offerings in energy efficiency by the NJBPU Clean Energy program.
<u>US DOE Energy Saver</u>	This site is extensive and contains more information about energy saving tips, as well as other summaries and publications.
<u>Other Forms of Assistance</u>	We've compiled a list of additional resources and benefits that may help PSE&G customers.

Local Food Pantries

Local Food Pantries



BLOOMFIELD
TOWNSHIP ★ NJ

- Park United Methodist Church

Thursday
6:00pm-8:00pm
12 Park St, Bloomfield, NJ
Back parking lot
(Delivery for residents who are homebound)

- Presbyterian Church (Church on the Green)

Weds- Friday and fourth Saturday of month
9:30 am- 11 am
Church is located at 147 Broad St, Bloomfield but the pantry is around the side of the church- 2 Church St

- New Light Baptist Church

3rd Monday of Month
1pm- 3 pm
89 Dewey St, Bloomfield, NJ

- Temple Radiant Light Church

Call to register 973-873-8004
430 Franklin St, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

- Toni's Kitchen Mobile Pantry -Watsessing School

71 Prospect Avenue, Bloomfield
Saturday 2PM to 3PM- bring your own bag / registration required

- Carteret mobile pantry

158 Grove St, Bloomfield, NJ 07003
(Parking lot)
Sunday from 2:00pm-3:00pm

- Montclair Human Needs Food Pantry

Tuesday and Thursday
12:30 PM – 2:30PM
9 Label St, Montclair NJ (Delivery for residents who are homebound)

- Toni's Kitchen Montclair

73 S Fullerton Ave, Montclair NJ
Wednesday through Saturday 10:30AM-12PM
Sunday 3PM-5PM

- Wesley United Methodist Church & Gosen Church

225 Washington Ave
Belleville, NJ 07109
Every second Saturday of the month
9:00am- 12:00pm - 201-706-1104

Homelessness Prevention Services Available!

Bloomfield's Human Services Department offers homelessness prevention aid through the SSH program, funded by an Essex County grant. Assistance includes security deposits, utility payments, and back rent/mortgage support for eligible residents facing hardship.

Need help? Call 973-680-4017 to check eligibility.

Mental Health Services

[Learn More](#)

Sign Up for Smart911 Alerts

Stay informed and stay safe. [Click here](#) to sign up for Smart911 to receive critical emergency alerts from the Township of Bloomfield and help first responders better assist you and your household in a crisis.

Animal Shelter

The Bloomfield Animal Shelter appreciates donations from our [2025 Donation List](#). Most needed items include dog and cat food, cat litter, and cleaning products. Donations can be dropped off daily between 9:00 AM–5:00 PM.

Recycling & Garbage Schedule

Picked up every Tuesday. Call DPW at 973-680-4127 no later than 3:00 PM the Monday before.

Download the Free Recycle Coach App on iOS and Android for Recycling Tips & Info!

Clothing Drop Off Sites

East Passaic Ave. Site



Bloomfield Recycling!
VISIT OUR NEW
CLOTHING
DROP SITE!

Bloomfield Fire Station #3
144 E Passaic Ave.
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

WE ACCEPT THE
FOLLOWING ITEMS:
All clothing, shoes, belts, purses,
blankets, linens, and stuffed toys.
Our shed does not accept household goods.

Advertising and shed provided by Turnkey Enterprises, LLC. | www.clothingsheds.com

Felton Field Site

COME OUT AND VISIT OUR NEW CLOTHING DROP SITE!



**Bloomfield Twp. Recycling
Located at Felton Field
145 Floyd Ave.
Bloomfield, NJ 07003**

Scan the QR Code
on the shed for
your tax receipt!

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Compost Drop Off Sites

Bloomfield residents now have two convenient compost drop-off sites:

230 Grove Street (DPW Site)

240 Belleville Avenue (Oakeside Cultural Center)

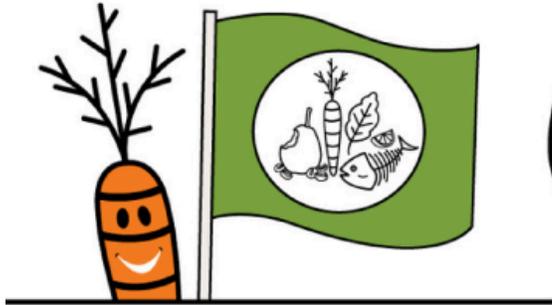
Both locations are free for residents enrolled in the composting program.

NOW OPEN!

COMPOST

DROP-OFF SITE

IN BLOOMFIELD



FREE FOR RESIDENTS

SIGN-UP TODAY! →

www.javascompost.com/drop-off



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